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PATENT APPLICATION

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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: Erskine Barbour and  
Carl James LaPlace Jr.  
Serial No.: 09/295,163

Group Art Unit: 2666

Examiner: Ronald B. Abelson

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Assignee: ABB Technology AG

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**AMENDMENT UNDER RULE 111 WITH A REQUEST  
FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION UNDER RULE 114 AND FOR AN  
EXTENSION OF TIME**

Hon. Commissioner  
For Patents  
P. O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of June 2, 2004 which was made final, please  
amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.

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